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at 1420 Hongkong, 22nd August, 187

Post-Office Notifications.

A mail will follow.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow. — For Yesso, 11.30 A. M. to-day, on the 25th instant.
 For Yokohama. — For Suruga Menan, at 4.30 this day.

For Manila. — For St. Seneshine, (to arrive at Amoy) on or about the 25th instant.
 F.R. — The precise time of closing the mail will be notified, hereafter.

MAILS TO LEAVE SHANGHAI.

By Telegraph.

For Amoy, Swatow, and Hongkong, at 5 P.M. to-day.

For Hankow and ports, at 6 P.M. to-day.

For Otscho, Taku, Tientsin, and Pekin, at 6 P.M. to-day.

General Postal Office, Hongkong,
 25th August.

MAILS BY THE "ENGLISH PACKET."

For English Colonies, Post "English Packet," to be dispatched with the usual Mail, on Tuesday, 26th, on FRIDAY, the 1st September, 1871.

Money Orders on any of the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted at 5 P.M. on the 31st instant.

The Post-Office will be open until 7 P.M. on 17th instant.

Letters, 22, may be posted during the night of the 16th inst. after their reception.

Letters for registration will be received until 10 A.M. on the 1st September.

Letters may be posted until 10 A.M. on the 1st September, without late fee.

Letters posted after 10 A.M. on the 1st September, will not be forwarded unless the Fee of 18 cents each as well as the postage be paid.

The time for posting Letters at this Office is 11 A.M. for Newspapers, Books, and Letters 10 A.M. on the 1st September.

United Letters (but Letters only) addressed to London (Kingdom of Britain, or to Singapore) may be posted on board the Packet of the 12th inst. to the time of sailing, on payment of a Laid Fee of 48 cents each in addition to postage.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office,
 Hongkong, 24th August, 1871.

Having been found necessary to change the use of the 30 cent Postage Stamp, it is hereby notified that the new color Stamp will be put into use on the 14th instant, the stamps of the old color already issued will, of course, be available for the payment of postage, and no further issue of the old 30 cent Stamp will be made from this Office after the 13th instant, or from the Postal Agencies at the ports of China and Japan after the 31st inst.

F. W. MITCHELL,

Post Office, Hongkong, 10th August, 1871.

is hereby notified that arrangements have been made according to which a regular service of direct Mails will take place, by means of the **BRITISH MAIL PACKETS**, between this Office and Brindisi.

The Mails from Hongkong will comprise, not only correspondence addressed to Italy, but also correspondence addressed to the several ports of the Continent beyond Italy.

The prepayment of the postage on ordinary Letters is optional.

The postage on registered Letters must be paid; the charge for registration being the same as the postage on such Letter.

The prepayment of the postage on Newspapers, other printed papers and packets of any kind, is compulsory.

The rates of postage are as follows, viz. —

FOR A LETTER.

Italy.....	18 cents for each 1/2 oz.
Switzerland.....	"
The German States.....	"
Austria.....	23 " "
Belgium.....	"
The Netherlands.....	"
Denmark.....	40 " "
Poland.....	"
Sweden.....	"
Norway.....	58 " "
Russia.....	"

For a Newspaper For each four or Price currency 2/6

Italy.....	4 cts.	8 cts.
Switzerland.....	"	"
The German States.....	8 " "	10 " "
Austria.....	"	"
Belgium.....	"	"
The Netherlands.....	"	"
Denmark.....	"	"
Poland.....	"	"
Sweden.....	8 " "	14 " "
Norway.....	"	"
Russia.....	"	"

P. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

Post Office, Hongkong, 10th August, 1871.

arrangements having been made by the Post Office for embarking and disembarking the British Overland Mails to and from Brindisi, thereby necessitating a transit by the Post-Office Office of a transit to the Italian Port of Genoa, it has been deemed to augment the rate of postage on

exchanged in the diprot. Mails between
 Hong and the French Post Office.
 The cost of postage chargeable in Hongkong
 on letters sent to France and countries
 of the French will, in future, be as follows:
 France, Algeria, the French Offices in
 Italy (except Constantinople), and the Office
 at Lyons, 20 cents per 1 ounce.
 Spain, Andalus, Beyrouth, Tripoli (Syria), Latakia,
 Aden, Messina, Gallipoli, Smyrna, Mity-
 lea, the Dardanelles, Rhodes, Ionioli, Crete,
 Salonica, Samos, Elopse, Sulina, Tra-
 lalche, Yaris, Gizeh, and Braila,
 25 cents per 1 ounce.
 Spain and Gibraltar, 24 cents per 1 ounce.
 The Grand Duchies of Luxembourg and
 Belgium, the Netherlands, Portugal,
 Prussia, Bavaria, Wurtemberg, the
 principalities of Hohenzollern, Birkenfeld,
 Homburg, Lippe, Schwartzburg-Rudol-
 stadt, and the Duchies of Nassau, Saxe-
 Coburg and Saxe-Meiningen-Sildburg,
 these Electors, these Princes, the Prince
 of Saxe-Weimar-Eisenach, the Free
 City of Frankfurt-on-the-Maine, Hamburg,
 Bremen, and Lubbock, Switzerland, and Italy,
 20 cents per 1 ounce.
For countries beyond Sea without distinction,
 25 cents per 1 ounce.
 Prussia (Rhenish Provinces excepted),
 Saxony, the Grand Duchies of Meck-
 lenburg-Schwerin and Mecklenburg-Strelitz,
 the Elector of Brunswick, the Grand Duke
 of the Principality of Birkenfeld, the
 Duchy of Anhalt, the Austrian Provinces,
 the Duchy of Saxe-Altenburg, Modena,
 Schleswig and Holstein, 30 cents per 1
 ounce.
 Denmark, the Papal States and Austria,
 35 cents per 1 ounce.
 Persia, Wallachia, Turkey in Europe,
 Norway, Poland, and Russia, 44 cents
 per 1 ounce.
 Payment is compulsory in the case of
 letters to Spain, Gibraltar, Countries beyond
 the Rhine, Prussia (Rhenish excepted), and Mon-
 tenegro may be registered to all the above
 except Spain, Portugal and Gibraltar,
 the Austrian Provinces; the fee for registra-
 tion is the same amount as the postage on
 the letters, and respectively.
 Newspapers and Prices Current cannot be
 registered.
 F. W. MITCHELL,
 Chief Post Office, Postmaster-General,
 Hongkong, 15th February, 1871.

herely notified that, pending the completion of negotiations now being carried on by the Italian Post Office, under which it is intended to establish a regular exchange of mail between Hongkong and the Continent of Europe via Brindisi, Letters for the Continent forwarded by British Mail Packet, and especially addressed via Brindisi, will be sent by the Mails for the British Post Office at Brindisi, paid to that place only, whence they will be forwarded via Brindisi, as directed, and postage, which must be paid in advance, at the rate of one ounce for one penny for a Newspaper or Price Current, and six or each four ounces on Book Packages and on Patentes, and such correspondence to be further charge on delivery.

P. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General,
Hongkong, 12th July, 1871.

Business Announcements

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